

ADU Quick Reference Resource

For staff responding to resident inquiries about Accessory Dwelling Units

When Residents Ask About ADUs

If residents ask general questions about ADUs, they may benefit from reviewing educational information before starting a project.

You may suggest they visit:

TheADUExchange.com



The site provides information on:

- **ADU Basics**
What an ADU is, types, common features
- **Development Process**
Planning, design, permitting, construction steps
- **Financing Information**
Loan types, programs, cost considerations
- **Aging-in-Place**
Universal design, multigenerational housing options
- **Massachusetts ADU Law**
Affordable Homes Act overview, by-right provisions
- **Municipality Tools**
Free tools designed for building departments

SUGGESTED LANGUAGE

"If you're exploring ADUs, you may find it helpful to visit TheADUExchange.com to learn about the process before contacting our office. It covers the basics of planning, design, permitting, and construction."

This is a suggestion only. Staff should use their own judgment.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Residents must still confirm all zoning, permitting, and building code requirements directly with the municipality. This resource is educational only.